## ABSTRACT

Source code, for example source code written in C or C++, typically includes comment lines in header files. Comment lines are included in source-files by developers to assist in the comprehension of the code by a person reading the code. However, the comments have no bearing whatsoever upon the function of the code. It has been found that when the overall build process is considered, the amount of time that is taken to process a comment line can be significant. According to the invention, in order to reduce build time, the comments are removed from the included header files prior to the compilation process